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ELECTION OF DIRECTORS AND VOTE ON BY-LAW AMENDMENT SLATED FOR ANNUAL MEETING

The October meeting of the PPRA-A, to start at 8 p. m. at the Naval Reserve Center, Lake and Logan Streets, October 9, will be the official annual meeting of the club and the main order of business will be the election of four members to the Board of Directors for two year terms to fill the four vacancies and the election of the four principal officers of the PPRAA for the coming year.

The report of the nominating committee on candidates for the four Board members was made at the September meeting of the PPRAA.

In accordance with the PPRAA by-laws, the names of the Board members whose terms are expiring headed the list of nominees. These are:

Pete Demario, KØUDG
John Summers, WAØHHN
George Kowalski, WØGCH
Max Main, WØBDH

The nominating committee also submitted the following new nominees for the consideration of the voting members:

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AMENDMENT OF BY-LAWS ON ELECTION OF OFFICERS SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION

In accordance with Article X, by-laws of the PPRAA, a petition has been submitted, signed by five members of the PPRAA Board of Directors, to amend Section 2, Article IV of the by-laws concerning the method of electing the four principal officers of the club--the president, vice president, secretary and treasurer.

Section 2, Article IV, at present, reads as follows: "Election: The officers of the association shall be elected at the regular annual meeting of the members by ballot by plurality vote of the voting members at the meeting."

The petition submitted by the Board members for consideration at the October meeting consists of two proposals.

Proposal number 1 would change Section 2, Article IV, to read as follows "Election: The officers of the association shall be elected by the board of directors during the regular annual meeting of the association."

Proposal number 2 would change

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Pres. - John Summers, WAØHHN
Vice. Pres. - George Kowalski, WØGCH
Secty. - Rosemarie Lewis, WAØMNL
Treas. - Rudy Wroblewski, WAØPJG

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Pete Demario, Chairman, KØUDG
Max Main, WØBDH
Harold Combs, WAØPNR
Ed Pompea, KØZPG

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The PPRAA meets the second Wednesday of each month in the U. S. Naval Reserve Training Center, Lake and Logan Streets, starting at 8 p.m. All radio amateurs and other interest persons are invited to attend.

COPY DEADLINE for NOVEMBER ZERO BEAT will be October 30.

EDITORIAL

YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS YOUR PREFERENCE

As the result of the "irregularity" pointed out in last month's Zero Beat between the manner in which the PPRAA officers were selected in October 1967 and the manner prescribed by the PPRAA by-laws, members will have an opportunity to express their preference as to the method of selecting the officers at the annual meeting October 9 when they vote on a petition for an amendment to Article 2, Section IV, of the by-laws.

The petition submitted by the majority of the board in accordance with the provisions of Article X, of the by-laws, is printed elsewhere in this issue of Zero Beat and contains two alternative proposals---one directing that the officers be elected by the members of the Board of Directors during the annual October meeting, following the election of the four new Board members, the other directing that, following the election of the new board members, the four principal officers shall be elected from the members of the board at the regular annual meeting "by ballot by plurality vote of the voting members present at the meeting."

Since, according to Article X of the by-laws, the only way the by-laws can be amended is "by the affirmative vote of the majority of the voting members present," the voting members of the PPRAA---the holders of either renewable or novice licenses from the FCC---will have the opportunity to express their preference as to which way the club officers should be chosen---1. By the Board members themselves after the annual election to fill the vacancies of the four board members whose two-year term expires; or, 2. After the election of the four new Board members, the voting members themselves will themselves, by ballot by plurality vote, elect the four principal officers from the eight members of the new Board of Directors.

It is not our intention, or our purpose, to reccomend the acceptance of either of these proposals.

Our only purpose last month was to point out that we believed that the "irregularity" which existed should be corrected in the proper manner. Our only purpose this month is to report the fact that the voting members now have the opportunity to express their desires in this matter.

Our only comment is that it is high time this matter was straightened up. We

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YOUR OPPORTUNITY

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feel that we cannot agree with any of the presented excuses that the "intent" of the by-laws was contrary to the way they were written, or that "there was an error when they were written which was not discovered." The by-laws have been in effect for several years and there has been plenty of time to correct any error, or change the wording to agree with any "intent" prior to now.

We also heartily disagree with the opinion expressed at the September meeting that "the PPRAA members are not interested in elections." If there is any such "disinterest" we feel it has been caused by the confusions as to "who or what can I vote for?" The decision of the October meeting will clear this up. We feel sure that the members of the PPRAA, like the members of any other club, have an interest in who is to be elected to run the club properly for the ensuing year.

May we point out an error in our editorial of last month due to a misunderstanding on our part when we reported that the officers of the Denver Radio Club were elected by the Board. We have been informed that this is not the case--that the officers are selected by the method in the second amendment proposal---the board is elected and then the voting members select the officers by another ballot from the elected board members.

The matter of the election of the PPRAA officers will be in the hands of the voting members at the October election.

We have brought the matter "into the oped"--it is up to the voting members now to express their desire---either to vote to have the Board of Directors select the officers or to have the officers elected by the voting members from members of the Board. The vote on these proposals at the October meeting will be the opportunity for the voting members to express their preference.

It is our hope that the PPRAA members will "back us up" in our conviction that they ARE interested in the election of their officers and directors for the coming year and that there will be a "record election turnout" at the October meeting to settle this matter.

Whether you have been one of the "complainers" in the past or whether you are satisfied with the "status quo"---the October meeting will be the opportunity to express your desire. Boiling it down to two well-known colloquial phrases---it will be up to you to "put up or shut up!" or to "speak now or forever hold your peace!" But whichever way you vote, or for whomever you may vote---be sure to attend the October 9 meeting to show that you DO have an interest in your club and in its officials.

Judging by the interest in and discussions regarding this matter at the September meeting, the combination of the voting on the amendment and the voting for the club officials may well offer one of the best "programs" of the year. Don't miss this!!!

---Frank, WØHWH

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(From "Round Table," published by the Denver Radio Club)

"It is reported that Sylvania is now using transistors that plug in on their new TV sets. Oh Happy Day, maybe other manufacturers will follow suit even unto amateur equipment!

"Bell laboratories has announced they have developed a tunable continuously pumped coherent parametric oscillator. Now only experimental but hoped to be adapted to digital data, facsimile, voice and video transmission."

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The vaccum cleaner salesman came to a farmhouse and wanted to demonstrate his product. He emptied a sack of dirt on the rug and said, "Lady, if this cleaner doesn't pick up all that dirt, I'll eat it."

"Just a minute," answered the housewife, I'll get a spoon." We don't have any electricity."

OCTOBER MEETING

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Jerry Bishop, KØICQ
Julian "Doc" Cornell, K1JSJ/Ø
Eldon Lewis, WAØERA
James Hall, WØCOB
Steve Parker, WAØSIZ
John Marek, WAØEJI
Arthur Mayer, WAØAEH
Irving Ebel, WØKVW

Under the provisions of the PPRAA by-laws, the following additional nominations, made by voting members of the club, were submitted to the secretary to appear on the October 9 ballot:

Dean Jaynes, WAØPJH
John T. Kester, WAØLVL
Frank Craw, WØHWH

An amendment to Section 2, Article IV of the PPRAA by-laws will also be balloted on at the meeting. Text of the amendment proposals appears in this issue of Zero Beat Since this amendment will direct the method of electing the four principal officers of the club, it will be voted upon by closed ballot prior to the election of the board.

For the purpose of voting at this and other meetings, it has been pointed out that there are three classes of members as defined by Article II of the PPRAA by-laws:

a. Full members---any person who holds a General, Advanced or Extra Class radio operator's license---eligible to vote and to hold office in the club.

b. Novice members---any person who holds a Novice Class license---elegible to vote but not to hold office.

c. Associate members--any person interested in amateur radio but who does not hold a license issued by the FCC ---not entitled to either vote or to hold office.

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MEMORY TEST

What was it you were worrying about . . . this time last year?

AMENDMENT TO BY-LAWS

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Section 2, Article IV to read as follows: "Election: The officers of the association shall be elected from the members of the board at the regular annual meeting of the members by ballot by plurality vote of the voting members present at the meeting."

In order for either of these proposed amendements to become effective it must be approved "by the affirmative vote of a majority of the voting members present at the annual or any regular monthly meeting of the association."

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(From "Collector and Emitter," published by the Aeronautical Center Radio Club, Oklahoma City, Okla.)

"FG7XL, Monique, has suggested the following phonetics for use when working DX stations. Monique, who is native French and one of the most active DX stations on the air, should certainl be an authority on the words that come thru easiest for her or most any DX station.

AMERICA	NORWAY
BOSTON	ONTARIO
CANADA	PORTUGAL
DENMARK	QUEBEC
ECUADOR	RADIO
FRANCE/FLORIDA	SANTIAGO
GUATEMALA	TOKYO
HONOLULU	URUGUAY
ITALY	VICTORIA
JAMAICA	WASHINGTON
KILOWATT	X-RAY
LIMA	YOKOHAMA
MEXICO	ZANZIBAR

"This is not to say that some other words may not be just as good but when in doubt or experiencing difficulty--use these as they are familiar words around the world."

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Don't forget the annual meeting---October 9. Come and vote!!

ROSIE'S REPORTINGS

By Rosemarie Lewis
WAØMNL

Doc Cornell has a new call, WØ-MCT, and has retired from the military and plans to make Colorado Speings his home.

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Chuck Miller, LX2VW (and W7-EFH), who attended our last club meeting, has 31 current amateur calls. Chuck tells of some exciting operating when he was DX. Once while LX2 he was working radio, but not for QSL contacts. He wanted to inform the people he was working with that he was out of food. The station was 90 miles away but there were only two LX2 calls issued and as soon as he gave his call everyone wanted to work him. After a while, the saying "I'd rather work DX than eat" probably didn't apply.

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Also at the meeting was KH6-CMW, Cyrus, from Hawaii--came a long way to our meeting. How about you, from across town, making the next one?

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Correspondence was received this last week from:

Nona Whitlach, WNØUEE, who moved to Springfield, Va.

Ed Terrien, WØLOT, whose new QTH is Moab, Utah.

Best of 73 to you both!

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I assume there will be an auction at the November meeting--so tell the XYL to be patient, you will soon replace the stuff and thing goodies with some different ones.

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I expect to have copies of Buffalo Repeater information and would appreciate anyone wanting a copy to give me a call (632-5721). Plan to have some interested amateurs do a study on it.

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Bowen, WØLEH, and Fred, WØ-QN, live in the same apartment house here in Colorado Springs and have worked out a FB antenna system. They put up one antenna--LEH uses it days while QM is at work, then in the evening when Fred is home he has the operating privileges.

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Mike Payne, WØLVJ, recently discharged from his "hitch" in the Navy, plans to make Colorado Springs his QTH and the PPRAA part of his future plans.

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New officers elected at the September 18 meeting of the Denver Radio Club are:

Pres. - Al Auten, WØECM
Vice. Pres. - Mel Bakula, WAØFGI
Secty. - Clyde Penny, WAØHLQ
Treas. - Dick Schmidt, KØFLQ

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Carol Schisler, WØEVT, reports that Edith, XYL of Jay Hall, WØCOB, remains in serious condition following a fall. Eith underwent brain surgery and is hospitalized at Penrose.

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Steve Parker, WAØSIZ, is the proud owner of a new SWAN 350.

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The Amateur Radio Missionary Service (ARMS) met for a picnic meeting at the home of Harlan Talley, KØ-TAX, and XYL Madalene, KØYBC, in Colorado Springs, August 24. Several PPRAA members belong to the group.

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A State Civil Defense Emergency Test was conducted September 18 from Camp George West at Golden, Colo. Operations were headed by Fred Baker, WAØCJV. Feneral Moffit and other officials were in attendance. Wally Rowland, KØWMD, assisted as net control. 45 checkins were noted from Colorado and other states. 12 amateurs from

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Colorado Springs were logged in.

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Wally Rowland, KØWMD, and XYL Marge are enjoying color TV at their QTH.

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LEWISES 'GET THE MESSAGES THRU'

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"How to be a 'crowd pleaser' with the help of Amateur Radio"

By Rosie Lewis, WAØMNL

Maybe some of you have delivered State Fair Message greetings or something of that nature and maybe they even seemed a nuisance but take it from the Lewises, those messages do a great deal for Amatuer Radio.

I've seen Amateur Radio booths ar fairs and always envied the operators, so on September 4, with the approval of the Manitou Springs Buffalo Days Committee, we "set up shop" at Soda Springs Park, Manitou Springs, during their free barbaque dinner.

We had a sign saying we would send a radiogram free. Public reaction was amazing. If we had been charging for the service we would have had more than we could handle. Some people thought the person receiving the message might be charged--others said "you just don't get sumthin' for nothin'"

We did meet a lot of nice people and quite a few had received messages from the service people in their family and they were glad to meet a "Ham" to convey their appreciation. Others had received fone patches and their appreciation was profound, while still others had heard of fone patches and made inquiries.

Eldon, WAØERA, had printed a form for them to follow and this helped a lot. Also he sent some messages from the car on the High Noon Net, as the car was near the park--and this gave folks a chance to view mobile operations.

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* PRESIDENT COMPLIMENTS *
* AMATEUR RADIO OPERATORS *

* Amateur radio, the ARRL and *
* the MARS program were honored *
* in a message sent August 31 by the *
* President of the United States to *
* the ARRL Southwestern Division *
* convention in Pheonix, Arizona. *
* The message follows: *
* "My congratulations to the *
* amateur radio operators who indi- *
* vidually and as members of the *
* Military Affiliate Radio System *
* are providing a radio telephone *
* and radiotelegraph message ser- *
* vice between our military person- *
* nel overseas and their families *
* here at home. I have learned that *
* you are now handling over 30,000 *
* per month. I commend you for this *
* fine example of voluntary public *
* service. I am sure it must provide *
* a significant boost to the morale *
* of our military services, espe- *
* cially the men in Vietnam. May *
* your signals never fail. *
* Sgd Lyndon B. Johnson" *

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We (ERA, MNM and MNL) took turns at the table (excuse me, BOOTH) --at times one couldn't be sure which was the line to the booth and which was the chow line.

We did try to copy a message from the stuffed Buffalo on dispaly, but not much luck--he kept saying QRU. Actually we did this for publicity purposes, two national magazine writers were there and wanted some pictures.

And when a mother mentioned that daddy in Vietnam did not have a picture of their young son, we took a picture with him and the radiogram form to send to that serviceman.

We offered the ARRL #77 text but took other messages as well. One man from Colorado Springs sent a gal "down South" a message telling her

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LEWISES MESSAGES GET THRU

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he had a job and asking her to marry him. So it looked like Amateur Radio played "cupid." BUT, in a few days we got a message for him from the gal "down South"---it contained just two words---"EMPHATICALLY NO."

All the messages taken the 4th were cleared that day.

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ELECTIONS SLATED FOR ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIV., ARRL OFFICIALS

Election of the Director and Vice Director of the Rocky Mountain Division, ARRL, will take place between October 8 and November 20. The election will be by ballot mailed to each ARRL member.

We have received information on four candidates---two for Director and two for Vice Director. The amount of material received precludes running it in the limited space available in Zero Beat. However, pertinent material regarding each of the four candidates is presented here and all material received will be available at the October meeting for anyone who wishes further detailed information on these candidates,

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CANDIDATES FOR DIRECTOR

CARL SMITH, WØBWJ

Current durector.

Member of the powerful ARRL Executive Committee.

Travels 15,000 miles a year for League, not counting regular visits to three of the four Division states as as airline flight captain.

Established the PICON award in 1961 to help emphasize public service.

First Director to visit chief of FCC's amateur section to discuss FCC's rulings on repeater operation.

Degree in Business Administration makes him an influential advisir in League fiscal affairs.

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B. R. COUNCIL (Slats(, KØATZ

Prime mover in ARS affairs for over 8 years as past president, secretary and editor of "Round Table" of Denver Radio Club.

Colorado Director of USAF MARS program.

Electrical sales manager covering the states of Colorado, Wyoming and New Mexico.

Belongs to both the Denver and Pueblo Radio Clubs.

Holds an EE from ICS, served as a journeyman electrician for 18 years plus 8 years as an Electrical Engineer.

Has held General Class ticket since 1964.

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CANDIDATES FOR VICE DIRECTOR

JOHN H. SAMPSON JR. W7OCX

Present Vice Director.

Past director and president of Ogden, Utah, Amateur Radio Club. Presently route manager and official relay station.

ARES-RACES manager, Weber County Utah Civil Defense amateur radio net.

Manager Beehive Utah Net.

Asst. manager Twelfth Region Net

Army MARS Director for Utah.

Co-chairman, Service Requirements and Capabilities Division, Utah State Telecommunications Resources Committee.

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TOM BANKS, W5HJ

Staff member, Sandia Laboratories in Albuquerque, N. M.

Attended Texas A&M and took graduate work at George Washington University.

Registered Professional Engineer in Oklahoma.

Formerly Director of R&D at Gates Radio Mfg., and Chief Radio Maintanence FAA.

Past president of Sandia ARC and former Pres., Vice Pres. and Secty of New Mexico chapter IRE.

Formerly state director New Mexico USAF MARS.

DIGEST OF ARRL BULLETINS

A new challenge for DX-minded amateurs comes into being officially January 1, 1969 with the inaururation of the ARRL Five Band DXCC award. At least 100 countries must be confirmed on each of five separate bands to qualify. Full rules appear in October QST.

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The Netherlands has extended its reciprocal operating agreement with the United States so that it now includes Surinam prefix PZ as well as the homeland and the Netherlands Antilles prefix PJ.

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The newly designed annual ARRL cross-indexed Net Directory is now ready for distribution. If you have recently requested a copy, it will be automatically mailed to you. All others may request their copy from the ARRL Communications Department, 225 Main Street, Newington, Connecticut 06111. Be sure to include your zip code with your address.

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Don't forget to attend the October meeting and cast your vote!!!

EDITOR'S NOTE

If the last three pages of this Zero Beat don't look quite "up to standard," blame them on an "incapacitated editor" who had to type them with one hand.

While attempting a "do-it-yourself" wood project at home, two fingers of his left hand came out "second best" in a "tangle" with a power bench saw.

It took 18 stitches at the Fort Carson Hospital and a day and a half of "heavy sedation" before he was able to do his one-hand typing to finish this issue of Zero Beat.

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FOR SALE--Heath MOHAWK, like new, $75. Phone Chuck Miller, W7EFHm 473-6151.

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FOR SALE--HW-12A Transceiver, upper and lower sideband. Heathkit power supply Model HP23. Heathkit speaker Model SB6000. Manual and bracket for mounting mobile included. If anyone wants to hear it, am usually on Sunday, 2590. Used 9 months. $140 for the 3 piece set, B. C. Huckelberrym WØLEH fone 634-3815, 2816 Airport Road.

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